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NPIC CONCURS IN THE IDENTIFICATION OF A NEW POSSIBLE AIRFIELD UNDER CONSTRUCTION LOCATED ON ROUTE 7, 43 NAUTICAL MILES (NM) NORTHWEST OF VINH AND 16 NM FROM THE NVN/LAOS BORDER AT 185851N1050232E (UTM WF048987). THE POSSIBLE AIRFIELD CONSISTS OF ONE NW/SE RUNWAY UNDER CONSTRUCTION APPROXIMATELY 6000 FT X 115 FT EXTENDING FROM WF040991 TO WF054979. THE POSSIBLE RUNWAY IS IN EARLY-TO-MID-STAGE OF CONSTRUCTION WITH SUBSURFACING AND GRADING ACTIVITY OBSERVED. AT LEAST ONE LAYER OF PROBABLE SUBSURFACE HAS BEEN COMPLETED ON THE NW END OF THE POSSIBLE RUNWAY AND GRADING IN PREPARATION FOR THE INITIAL SUBSURFACE IS IN PROGRESS ON THE SE END. PARALLEL DRAINAGE DITCHES ARE OBSERVED ALONG BOTH SIDES OF THE POSSIBLE RUNWAY. CONSTRUCTION IS DIVIDED BY FOUR FOOT TRAILS, I.E. SLIGHTLY ELEVATED STRIPS CROSS THE POSSIBLE RUNWAY AT INTERVALS ALONG ITS LENGTH. THERE ARE NO TAXIWAYS OR ASSOCIATED SUPPORT FACILITIES OBSERVED. NPIC NOTES THE FOLLOWING ANOMALIES WHICH SHOULD BE RESOLVED AS CONSTRUCTION CONTINUES: THE LACK OF PERPENDICULAR DRAINAGE DITCHES; THE APPARENT CONFINEMENT OF UNNECESSARY EARTH SCARRING; NO FILL QUARRIES IN THE VICINITY; THE PRESENCE OF THE FOOT TRAILS CROSSING THE POSSIBLE RUNWAY; THE NARROW WIDTH OF THE POSSIBLE RUNWAY; AND THE LACK OF SUPPORT FACILITIES.

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